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SUBJ: BRANDO AWARD

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY FEREIDUN FARROKHZAD, BROTHER OF LATE AND REVERED IRAN POETESS FOROUGH FARROKHZAD, THAT MARLON BRANDO HAS BEEN SELECTED AS THIS YEAR'S FOREIGN RECIPIENT OF ANNUAL PRIZE MEMORIALIZING POETESS.

2. PRIZES TO BRANDO AND ABOUT A DOZEN IRANIAN RECIPIENTS TO BE AWARDED IN TEHRAN FEBRUARY 13 ON ANNIVERSARY OF FOROUGH FARROKHZAD'S DEATH. AWARD IS DONATED BY POETESS' FAMILY. PRIZE IS A GOLD MEDAL. FYI LAST YEAR'S FOREIGN RECIPIENT WAS GERMAN WRITER GUNTER GRASS.

3. FEREIDUN FARROKHZAD SAID BRANDO SELECTED QUOTE IN APPRECIATION FOR HIS CONTRIBUTION TO AMERICAN INDIANS UNQUOTE. FARROKHZAD SAID BRANDO WOULD HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED SOONER BUT AWARDS JURY HAS JUST COMPLETED DELIBERATIONS. HE REQUESTED EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING SOMEONE TO ACCEPT AWARD ON BEHALF BRANDO.

4. EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPARTMENT CONTACT BRANDO, INFORM HIM OF AWARD AND DETERMINE WHETHER THERE IS ANYONE IN IRAN WHOM BRANDO WISHES HAVE REPRESENT HIM OR WHETHER HE MERELY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE FARROKHZAD FAMILY MAIL HIM THE MEDAL. IF SO WHAT IS HIS ADDRESS? EMBASSY WOULD BE HAPPY DELIVER MESSAGE TO FAMILY FROM BRANDO SHOULD HE WISH THIS.

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